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Sir:

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Statement.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Documents A1-A4 were listed in an European Search Report for a counterpart European patent application. A copy of the Search Report is also being provided herewith.

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Applicant's respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and formally be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Respectfully submitted,

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